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In re Application of:

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For: USE OF A SILICONE
SURFACTANT OF ALKYL-
DIMETHICONE COPOLYOL TYPE
FOR PREPARING SOLID WATER-
IN-OIL COSMETIC EMULSIONS
AND RESULTING SOLID WATER-
IN-OIL EMULSIONS

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed together with a Request for Continued Examination for the above-referenced application and qualifies as the required submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

Copies of the listed documents, including any copending patent applications, are attached.

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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